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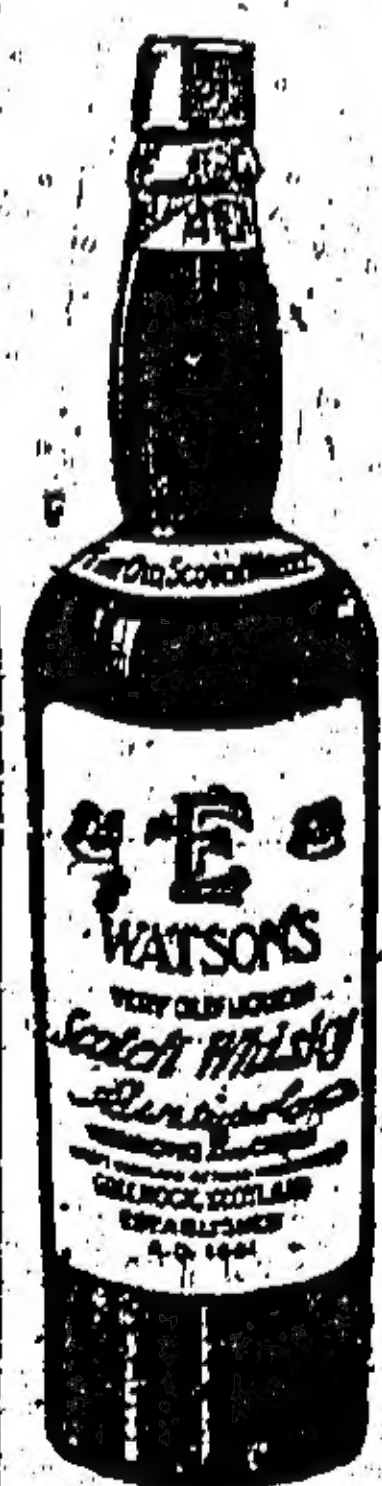
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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

FIGHTING ON THE MEUSE, SUFFOLK COAST SHELLED.

A GERMAN ATTACK AT FOUR
POINTS.

London, Jan. 26.

A French communiqué states:
The Germans last night attacked
at four points from Avocourt Wood
to East of Morthomme. Our fire
drove them back to their trenches.
Only some of the enemy parties
succeeded in penetrating the ad-
vanced trenches of the sector Hill
804.

The enemy suffered very heavy
losses, and left numerous bodies
before our lines, especially at Avocourt Wood.

SEVEN ENEMY AEROPLANES
BROUGHT DOWN.

Seven enemy aeroplanes were
brought down, including Lieutenant
Guyonnet's twenty-eighth, and
Lieut. Heurteaux's nineteenth.

Our air squadron heavily bom-
barded several railway stations, also
huts and military establish-
ments and caused a great fire at the
railway station of Brielles.

THE GERMAN VERSION.

A German official report, received
by wireless, says:

The Westphalians and Badeners
stormed the enemy's trenches on
Height 804, on a mile front on the
west bank of the Meuse, inflicting
anguish, losses and taking 500
prisoners.

A French counter-attack by night
failed.

THE FIGHTING ON THE AA RIVER.

London, Jan. 26.

A German official report says: We
have occupied further positions on
both sides of the Aa, repulsed
counter-attacks on the East bank and
have taken 500 prisoners.

THE RUSSIAN REPORT.

A Russian official report says:
Between Tirul Swamp and the Aa
river we took the offensive, dislodged
the enemy, took some prisoners, and
then withdrew under German pressure.

We advanced a mile in the direc-
tion of Kalceen, but fell back before
counter-attacks. General Ivanchev-
der, who led the first line, was
wounded but remained at his post.

THE RUSSO-RUMANIAN FRONT.

PARIS, Jan. 27.

General Gourko has been appointed
to the command on the Russo-Rumanian
front.

THE CAMPAIGN IN EAST AFRICA

THE SUCCESSOR OF GENERAL
SMUTS.

GERMANS CONTINUE TO FALL
BACK.

London, Jan. 26.

An official announcement relating
to the East African campaign states:
Lieutenant-General A. R. Hoeslyns
succeeds General Smuts.

North and south of the Limpopo
River and the delta the Germans are
falling back in the direction of Ute-
te and Utembe Lake. Strong enemy
forces are retreating from Mahenge and
the Fuhudje River.

We invested, and compelled the
surrender of an enemy detachment at
Ililuyu, taking 89 Europeans and 250
African prisoners, and a field-gun.

LONDON, Jan. 26.

It is officially announced that a
small unidentified German vessel
approached the Suffolk coast last
night and fired shells. There were
no casualties and the damage done
is insignificant.

LATER.

The German attack on the Suffolk
coast was made between 11 and 12
o'clock. Shells were fired. The
visit lasted three minutes.

THE BRITISH LABOUR CONGRESS.

DISAPPROVE IMMEDIATE PEACE
OFFER.

OPPOSE INTERNATIONAL
SOCIALIST CONGRESS.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

The Labour Party Conference at
Manchester passed a resolution by
1,697,000 to 302,000 against an im-
mediate peace offer; and by 1,498,000
to 696,000 against holding an Inter-
national Socialist Congress, simultane-
ously with the Peace Conference; and
by 1,04,000 to 464,000 in favour of a
conference of Allied Socialists.

THE KAISER'S BIRTHDAY.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT
EXPECTED.

LONDON, Jan. 26.

The Emperor Charles and Archduke
Clemens of Austria have gone to the
German Headquarters the occasion
being the Kaiser's birthday to-morrow.
A report that the Kaiser will then make
important statements has led to various
conjectures. It is suggested that the
enemy rulers may announce peace
terms, or decide to pool all their
resources for war purposes.

THE NEUTRALISATION OF THE
DARDANELLES.

GERMAN SUPPORT WITH
RESERVATIONS.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 26.

Writing in the *Berliner Tageblatt*,
Theodor Wolff says the neutraliza-
tion of the Dardanelles under a
general guarantee would find many
German supporters who, of course,
would desire that the Suez Canal
and the Straits of Gibraltar should
not be forgotten.

THE NEUTRALITY OF SPAIN.

THE KING AS MEDIATOR.

MADRID, Jan. 26.

Signor Romanones, the Prime
Minister, in a speech, said Spain was
obliged to remain neutral at present,
but in view of his great prestige King
Alfonso would certainly have the
glory of mediating when the opportu-
nity arose.

THE IMPERIAL WAR COUNCIL.

THE DOMINION REPRESENTA-
TIVES.

LONDON, Jan. 27.

Reuter learns that the Imperial
Government has telegraphed to the
Dominion Governments asking to
the earliest date "on" which their
Representatives can arrive in London
to attend the Imperial War Council.
At present it is most uncertain as to
whether Mr. Hughes will be able to
come. It is believed Sir Robert
Borden will be able to attend.

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INTIMATIONS

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GENERAL POST OFFICE, LONDON, June, 1916.

(For examples of Investment in War Savings Certificates, see the other side.)

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£12 10 0	£13 10 0	£14 10 0	£15 0 0	£16 0 0	£17 0 0
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£3 10 0	£4 0 0	£4 10 0	£4 10 0	£5 0 0	£5 0 0
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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 18th to MONDAY 29th January, 1917 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency
Co. Ltd.,
General Agents for the
West Point Building Company Limited.
Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1917. 1415

THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. on MONDAY 29th January, 1917 at 11.45 A.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
THE HONGKONG CENTRAL
ESTATE LIMITED.
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
THE GENERAL MANAGERS.
Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1917. 1414

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. on MONDAY 29th January, 1917 at 12.15 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1917. 1413

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION COMPANY LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co. Ltd. on MONDAY 29th January, 1917 at 12.15 P.M. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 18th to MONDAY 29th January, 1917 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOLE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, Jan. 11, 1917. 1413

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Twelfth Annual GENERAL MEETING OF Shareholders will be held in the Office of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Limited on SATURDAY the 3rd February, 1917 (both days inclusive), for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers together with a statement of accounts to 31st December, 1916.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 27th January to 3rd February both dates inclusive.

DODWELL & COMPANY LIMITED,
General Managers.
Hongkong, Jan. 23, 1917. 1440

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILD-
ING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY EIGHTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Western Building, on SATURDAY 10th February, 1917, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the purpose of receiving the REPORT OF DIRECTORS together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from THURSDAY 1st to SATURDAY 10th February, 1917 (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
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GERMAN EXCAVATIONS AT
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Describing a visit to the underground town the Germans constructed at Beaumont Hamel, Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters in France, in a telegram, says:-
We had lunch in the remains of Beaumont Hamel. Our dining-room was a cave deep in a hillside, and the lighting was one wax candle on the top of a yellow-labelled cigarette tin. The banging of shells outside was pleasantly muted by the thickness of the walls, and though our habitation shook a little at times, so that the wax guttered down on to the lid of the cigarette tin, no one seemed to think it very extraordinary.

Whenever the door opened a flash of daylight came in and eclipsed the candle lights for an instant. In those instants it was possible to get a glimpse of blue sky outside, and now and again you might watch the landing of a big shell on the crest of the hillside facing us.
"Pretty close, that one," I said once to the young lieutenant on my right. He looked up carelessly. "Oh, yes—yes. Have some shrimps? They're jolly good."

AT TABLE.

"The table, built of plain boards, was nearly covered with a cloth. The walls were solid planks against the yellow clay. The floor, too, was planks, and also the roof. It is not often one sees an apartment so uniform as to walls, floor, and ceiling—all planks. There was a steady drip of water from one seam in the ceiling, but this had been provided for. A "tin" helmet had been placed conveniently underneath to catch the drops.
Seven of us had our meal together in that cave room, and whenever the orderly came in to change the plates one had, as my host said, "to concentrate" for one extra person made us crowded. His journey to and fro were to the kitchen, which was also underground.

Here, by the light of a lamp, a born genius of a cook was solemnly plating his craft about a little iron range; his mind was much more occupied with such things as the exact shade of brown to which the gravy should be toned than with the noise and hubbub of the explosions outside. He sent us in some beef, piping hot and excellently cooked, and to follow it a milk pudding and some fruit. As there were not quite glasses enough for all to drink at once, turns were taken with the glasses available.

THROUGH THE TUNNEL.

A little contrivance was caused by the arrival of two visitors from a neighbouring cave in the village to see the colonel, but it was overcome by the quick wit of our host, who said:-"Ship along to my bedroom." Whereupon the visitors, armed with a flash lamp, opened a door in the wooden wall and promptly disappeared into the bowels of the earth. To me in that dim candle light it looked like some stage trick, but I found after lunch that it was not.

"Behind the door were steps leading below. At the bottom was a long corridor lined with stout planks. The roof was supported at intervals by plank pillars. All was pitch dark, until my guide struck a match and lit a series of candles that were projecting from the wall on pegs stuck between the planks. Burning as still and erect as a frozen flame, they shed a yellow light on low beds with dark

coverings, camp washing basins of pale green canvas, kit bags, and such things. Evidently the men slept in the passage.

The colonel's room was further along—a handsome little apartment by comparison, and already lighted. The walls had been paneled by some German industrious hand in quite a pleasing design, and in places the walls had been draped with a soft, dark cloth, of pink roses on a black ground. I remember having seen that pattern years ago on copper rollers in a mill at Acerrington, which the King and Queen were visiting.

TETONIC INDUSTRY.

The passage went further. Stored in it at this point were boxes of explosives bearing German marks and words. One box was filled with shining black eggs of metal, each fitted with a time fuse bearing a red band on which were the words "5 Sekunden."

"We found no end of these," said my guide. "They are the German egg bombs." I stood grimly by while he unscrewed one and made it harmless. "Nice little thing, isn't it," he asked. My taste for hand-grenades has not yet been cultivated.

Soon we came to a stout door, bolted. I asked where that led to, and he replied: "To the neighbouring dug-out." It seems that all Beaumont Hamel was thus linked up underground. Tunnel leading to tunnel had made one vast underground warren to underlie the whole village. Hundreds of people might live here below ground. Bedrooms, living rooms, kitchens, storerooms and armament-rooms—all were provided.

The industrious Germans must have spent days and days completing that wonderful system. Even the timber used represents hundreds of loads, all of which had to be brought from afar. In places the links between the systems had been stove in by our gunfire, and to get from working to working the enemy must have emerged into the open air, and crawled over holes and mounds tossed up by our shells.

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This was stated by the Public Trustee, Mr. G. J. Stewart, addressing the City of London Traders' Club recently.

The heat of pulpit oratory is often responsible for lapses into unconscious humor. During the delivery of a sermon on "Faith," an American University President made the following dramatic utterance: "You have blind faith in the physician. He gives you medicine and tells you to take it. 'Tours not to reason why; yours but to do and die.' Almost equal to this is the story of the minister who solemnly assured his congregation that 'Many persons have one eye on heaven while with the other they are listening to the gossip of earth.'"

The Man Who
Gets There

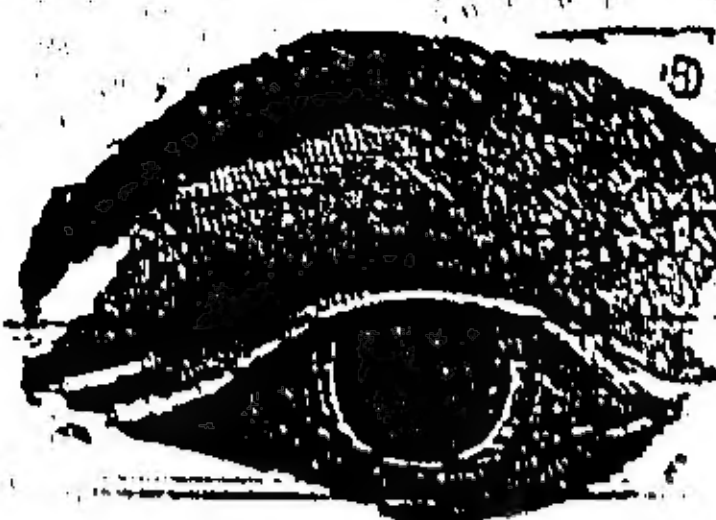
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No. 3 Dock, Kowloon	225	70' 0"	12' 0"	7' 0"	
Patent Slip, No. 1, Kowloon	225	70' 0"	12' 0"	7' 0"	
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Whampoa Dock	447	70' 0"	12' 0"	7' 0"	
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To-day's Advertisements

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 10th February, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1916.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th February to the 14th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, Jan. 27, 1917. 1454

GUNDES & COMPANY, LIMITED.
(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of Messrs. LOWN, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS, New Government Buildings, Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong, on MONDAY, the 18th day of February, 1917, at 12.30 p.m. precisely, for the purpose of having the account of the Liquidator, showing the manner in which the Winding-up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, laid before such meeting, and of hearing any explanation therefrom by the Liquidator, and also to pass his remuneration and also to pass the following Extraordinary Resolution, viz.:

"That the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidator thereof be retained by the Liquidator, he undertaking to destroy the same at the expiration of twelve months from the dissolution of the Company."

C. A. DA ROZA, A.S.A.A., Liquidator.

Hongkong, Jan. 27, 1917. 1453

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Hongkong Benevolent Society will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 31st of January, at 12.30 in the City Hall. All subscribers are invited. The Hon. Mr. P. H. Hoyle has kindly consented to take the chair.

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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR MONDAY.

11 A.M.—Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
11 A.M.—Auction of condemned and confiscated Goods at Central Police Station.
11.30 A.M.—West Point Building Co's Meeting.
11.45 A.M.—H.K. Central Estate Ltd's Meeting.
Noon.—H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co's Meeting.
12.15 P.M.—H.K. Land Reclamation Co's Meeting.
3 P.M.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.

General Memoranda.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 31.—
12.30 P.M.—Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society.
2.30 P.M.—Prize Distribution by Lady May at St. Paul's Institution.

THURSDAY, Feb. 1.—
10.30 A.M.—Auction of Ladies' Boots and Shoes, Suitcases, Blankets, etc., at Messrs. Hughes and Hoyle's.

FRIDAY, Feb. 2.—
11.30 A.M.—Union Waterboat Co's Meeting.

SATURDAY, Feb. 3.—
9.15 P.M.—Flauto Recital at Government House.

SUNDAY, Feb. 4.—
3 P.M.—Auction of Leasehold Property at M. Geo. P. Lammert's Sale Rooms.

MONDAY, Feb. 5.—
11 A.M.—Kowloon Land and Building Co's Meeting.

It was entirely frustrated, and the story should be read by the Germans in the light of the comments which appeared in the German Press on the occasion of the raid in the Channel last October. The *Lokal Anzeiger*, a semi-official organ, wrote of the "intrepid cruise of our destroyers" sweeping away what the British regarded as "the invincible, all-securing obstacles in the Channel"—though impartial observers must have thought in the many weeks that have since elapsed that the German Admiralty has made small use of the success that was claimed for them! "The coast of Flanders has often shown up during the past two years what it is worth to us in war," wrote the Berlin journal, "but to the lengths to which we have penetrated in the North Sea this time—closer to the vital nerves of England and France of our 'black weapon' (the German torpedo service) has never been ventured." Well, having then been foiled in its purpose, it apparently made another venture after the lapse of three months for repairs, and the result of the latest enterprise has apparently been even more disastrous, and should enable the experts of the *Lokal Anzeiger* to more correctly estimate the worth of the coast of Flanders to Germany in war. British naval experts, we are told, express the opinion that the hammering the German destroyer division received will prevent much use being made of Zebrugg for some time.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Next Monday is Settlement Day.

The Hongkong Government Gazette to-day contains mainly of revised White Lists for China and Siam.

A Chinese student, Ching Shu-on, aged twenty-four, was fined £100 and 2s. costs at Thames Court, London, last month for harbouring 25 lb. of opium.

Hongkong postage stamps over-printed "China" on sale at the British Postal Agencies in China are not valid for the payment of postal charges on correspondence posted in Hongkong.

Shareholders in the West Point Building Co., H.K. Central Estate Ltd., H.K. Land Investment and Agency Co., and H.K. Land Reclamation Co., are reminded of the meetings advertised in another column to be held on Monday.

Mr. A. Denison informs us that the crops from the estate of the Seenge Ramph Rubber & Coconut Plantations Co., Ltd., for the month of December were—Rubber 13,916 lbs.; Coconut 1,420 nuts. The total output of rubber for the financial year (1916) was 163,563 lbs.

A passenger who travelled through Manchuria early in the present month informed the "Japan Chronicle" that at Vladivostok, Harbin, Changchun, and Mukden the recent blizzard was the severest known for 20 years, the average temperature being 44 degrees of frost.

It is notified in the Gazette that a trade mark belonging to Abraham and Gebroder Frowin, Elberfeld, Germany expired on the 24th inst., and that "it will be removed from the Register of Trade Marks on the 24th day of Feb., 1917, unless the prescribed fee for renewal of registration is paid before that date."

Among the prisoners of war in camp at Nagaya were eight officers born in Alsace-Lorraine of French parents, and these men have now been released by order of the Government. To avoid any disturbance, the other men detained at the camp were turned out for a walk during the release of the eight men in question, who left Nagaya under military and police escort for Yokohama, where they were handed over to the French Consul-General.

The British American Tobacco Co., Ltd., agents of the Westminster Tobacco Co., Ltd., have just received supplies from London of Westminster "Specials" Cigarettes Cigarettes and packed in highly attractive boxes, each containing 10 cigarettes.

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WHEN you have a troublesome cough, it does not mean that you have consumption or that you are going to have it, but it does mean that your lungs are threatened, and it is just as well to be on the safe side and take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy before it is too late. For sale by all Chemists and Druggists.

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

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JAPANESE ADVISERS FOR BANK OF COMMUNICATIONS.

PEKING, Jan. 26.
The loan to the Bank of Communications involves the employment of Japanese Advisers and Managers in the Bank.
Strong opposition is manifested among members of Parliament.

THE CANTON CEMENT WORKS.

PEKING, Jan. 26.
The Canton Government has requested permission to control the Canton cement works, but the request is being refused.

GOVERNMENT TO ACQUIRE SHANGHAI OPIUM STOCKS.

PEKING, Jan. 26.
The Central Government is undertaking to purchase the entire stock of opium held by the Shanghai merchants, by means of a loan secured upon the sale of revenue stamps. When the opium is transferred it will be controlled by the Vice-President and sold for medicinal purposes only.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

His Lordship Bishop Pozzoni returned yesterday from his Pastoral Mission in the interior.

The Malay Mail hears that the Hon. Mr. Cland Severn is likely to be revisiting Malaya about May.

Mr. Francis White, Secretary at the American Legation at Peking, left the capital a week ago on a tour in South China and Siam.

Mr. T. F. Carls, British Consul at Saigon, has been transferred from the Siam Consular Establishment to the General Consular Service, and has been appointed Consul-General at New Orleans.

The son of Mr. T. H. Reid (formerly editor of the *China Mail* and now in the Malay States Information Agency) is away in France on duty. Unfortunately he is not over strong, and is stationed at Financial Headquarters.

Mr. A. M. Forrest, accountant of the Penang Branch of the Chartered Bank, will leave for his home in the near future on long leave, and Mr. D. M. Miller, accountant, will be leaving for the Batavia branch in the near future on transfer.

The engagement is announced between Mr. A. Caldecott, of the F. M. S. Civil Service, only surviving son of the Rev. A. Caldecott and Mrs. Caldecott, of West Chillingham, Sussex, and Olive Mary, only child of Mr. Justice Innes and Mrs. Innes, of Kuala Lumpur.

Mr. John M. Darrah, the American Postal Agent in Shanghai, has tendered his resignation to the Department at Washington to take effect upon his arrival there in March. Mr. Darrah out of 18 years' service with the Postal Department has spent 13 in Shanghai.

Mr. Denman Fuller's final lecture on "Musical Appreciation" will be given on Monday next at 5.30 p.m. at the Helena May Institute. As the previous lectures have met with a great deal of support and interest it is hoped that the attendance will be such as to encourage an extension of them at some future date.

UNION CHURCH.

The Committee of the above Church has just issued its annual report and balance sheet for the year 1916.

The financial statement shows a very creditable position inasmuch as the debit balance which was incurred a few years ago has been considerably reduced and the past year has been exceptionally satisfactory. In addition to the ordinary receipts, which quite covered the general expenses of the Church, £700 have been contributed to outside objects, and further donations amounting to \$2,300 have been received for the Organ Fund.

The new organ which has been on order for some time and has been despatched, is due to arrive shortly, and it is hoped that the instrument is installed the amount required will have been completely raised.

The work of Sunday Schools, Guild, and Christian Endeavour Society has been ably carried on, and the Pastor has continued the services at the Peak Church throughout the year.

The annual meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Lecture Hall of the Church on Wednesday, 31st January, at 3 p.m. for the purpose of electing Secretary, Treasurer and Committee.

THE ACTION BY A CYCLIST.

TO-DAY'S EVIDENCE.

Further evidence in the claim of \$500 damages from the Ip On Wing Co. and the Li Wing Kwong, junk owners, by John Carr, an electrical engineer of Leighton Hill Road, was heard by Mr. H. H. Gompertz, Puisne Judge, at the Summary Court this morning.

The plaintiff's claim is for damages sustained by him on the morning of November 22nd, 1916, when, while riding a bicycle, he ran into a lading board from a conservancy junk, which, due to the alleged negligence of the defendants, extended across the Pany East, and as a result, the plaintiff suffered severe injury to his person and damage to his property.

Mr. Mattingly (of Messrs. Deacon, Looker, Deacon & Hartson) appeared for the plaintiff, Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. Otto Kong Sing) defended.

Mr. Jenkin said certain information had come into his hands which made it necessary for him to put a number of important questions to the plaintiff and Sergeant Floyd.

Mr. Jenkin then called the plaintiff into the witness box.

Mr. Jenkin: What shift of duty do you perform at the office of the Electric Light Company, Mr. Carr?

Plaintiff: An eight-hour shift.

Mr. Jenkin: When you left the office of the Electric Light Company had you just completed an eight-hour shift?

Plaintiff: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: Had you arrived there at four o'clock, and remained there until twelve o'clock?

Plaintiff: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you not, Mr. Carr, go to the bar of a certain hotel for refreshments during that time?

Plaintiff: Yes, I did.

Mr. Jenkin: Then you did not remain at the office of the Electric Light Company during the entire time of your watch?

Plaintiff: No.

Mr. Jenkin: How many alcoholic drinks did you have while at the hotel, Mr. Carr?

Plaintiff: Only one.

Mr. Jenkin: When you went to the Police Station after the accident did you see Sergeant Floyd?

Plaintiff: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: Did you say anything to Sergeant Floyd about your being sober?

Plaintiff: I believe I might have said something about being sober.

Mr. Jenkin: You evidently believe that to be the proper way of introducing yourself to a policeman.

Sergeant Floyd, in the witness box, said that on the morning of the 22nd November the plaintiff came to him and first asked for a doctor. After a doctor had been summoned the plaintiff then asked him, "Am I drunk or sober?" Witness replied: "There is no question of anyone accusing you of being drunk."

Mr. Mattingly: Sergeant Floyd, do you not think that it is reasonable for a man who has just met with an accident, to at once wish to settle the matter as to his being drunk or sober?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, I do think that it is reasonable.

His Lordship: Did it appear to you at the time, Sergeant, that the plaintiff had taken a drink or two?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, your lordship, it did.

His Lordship: Just what do you mean by appearing to have had a drink or two?

Sergeant Floyd: Well, he had rather a flushed face.

Mr. Mattingly: Could that not have been attributed to the shock of the accident, Sergeant?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, I think it could have also been due to that.

His Lordship: Did you get the impression, Sergeant, that the flushed face of the plaintiff was due to any other cause than the accident?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, I was somewhat aware of that impression.

His Lordship: But did the plaintiff appear to be able to take care of himself?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, your lordship, his mind seemed quite clear.

Mr. Jenkin: Will your lordship ask Sergeant Floyd, as an expert witness, whether in his experience he has found that the shock of an acci-

dent has the effect of sobering a man in liquor?

Sergeant Floyd: Yes, I have seen many men in liquor suddenly sobered by an accident.

Mr. Mattingly: If your lordship so desires, my client stands ready to call witnesses who will give further evidence of his sobriety at the time of the accident.

His Lordship: That will hardly be necessary. There is only evidence that he had but one drink previous to the accident. Any man may have one drink.

Mr. Jenkin: Pardon, my lord, but I have evidence that will make it necessary for me to go further into the matter of the plaintiff's being under the influence of liquor at the time of the accident.

Other witnesses were then called and the case adjourned.

THE MAGISTRACY.

DISTRICT WATCHMEN CHARGED.

The remanded case in which two Chinese district watchmen are charged, the first with stealing one silver dollar from No. 10, Moon Street, Wanchai, and the second with assaulting an inmate of the same house and obstructing a policeman in the performance of his duty, was again before Mr. Melbourne.

Mr. Crew appeared as a solicitor for the first defendant, whose case was heard with that of the second defendant. Evidence was taken and the case again adjourned, with the bail as before, at \$50 for each defendant.

THEFT OF A ZINC FUNNEL.

A Chinese charged with stealing a zinc funnel was brought before Mr. Wood.

Upon Inspector Sim's statements that he believed the defendant mentally damaged, the charge was withdrawn and the defendant sent to the hospital for treatment.

RETURNED FROM BANISHMENT.

Before Mr. Wood, to-day a Chinese was charged with premature return from a banishment of five years. It was stated that he had been working in the Colony as a street coolie for about a year before his identity was discovered. Sentence of six months' imprisonment was passed.

AN ABANDONED INFANT.

A Chinese woman was charged before Mr. Wood, this morning with having abandoned her infant child, a few days' old, by leaving it on the street. Inspector O'Sullivan said the child had died since the mother's arrest. Death was due to inability to take nourishment, which seemed to have arisen from birth. The woman was sentenced from three months' imprisonment.

SPORTING.

ROYAL HONGKONG YACHT CLUB.

The results of the sixth of the series of Club Championship Races for the Handicap, One Design, and Hayward Hays and Guel Classes are as follows:

HANDICAP CLASS.

Course—No. 37, Channel Rocks (P). Kowloon Rock (P). Mark East on Starting Line (P). Channel Rocks (P). Kowloon Rock (P). Distance 8 1/2 miles.

H'cap on Finishing Corrected

Yacht Course Time Time

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Dione Scratch 4 00 53 4 00 53

Rolla 4 00 01 3 59 19

Jessica 4 00 30 3 59 48

Kathleen 4 00 51 3 59 51

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(1) Dawn 8 30

(2) Thecla 6 31

(3) Lybeth 5 30

(4) Tubania 18

(5) Owl 6

(6) Toinette 6

(7) Lady Ursula 6

TRAINING TIMES.

OLD PONIES.

There was a considerable gathering of interested spectators at the mile this morning to follow the gallops of the ponies in training for the next races. The sand course was good going, but the grass was very hard. Early in the morning a strong following breeze helped the ponies down the home straight, but this died away later.

The times taken were:—
CORONET DUNEL, 1 mile, 34, 1.06, 1.42, 2.14.0; last 1/2 22.5.
THE DUCK DUNEL, last 1/2, 37.2, 1.10.3, 1.43.2; last 3/4 23.4.
GIANT DUNEL, 1 1/2 last 1/2, 35.2, 1.13, 1.49.5, 2.25.4, 3.57.2; last 3/4 21.3.
THURFANT DUNEL, 1 mile, 32.2, 1.08.2, 1.39.3, 2.13; last 1/2 83.2.
WINDSOR DUNEL, 1 mile, 38, 1.19.2, 1.46.1, 2.10.2; last 3/4 80.1.
AUSTRALIAN CHIEF, last 1/2, 35.2, 1.11, 1.42.2; last 3/4 81.2.
FINANCIAL CHIEF, 1 1/2, 41, 1.17, 1.53.3, 2.28.3, 3.54.2, 5.36.2; last 3/4 82.
DAINTY CHIEF, 1 1/2 last 1/2, 39.2, —, 2.06, 2.43, 3.18.2; last 3/4 85.2.
GOLDFINA, 1 1/2 last mile (1), 45, 1.11.6, 1.49, 2.25.2; last 1/2 86.2.
STANZA, 1 1/2, 41, 1.21, 1.58.3, 2.35.8, 3.11.2; last 3/4 85.4.
KING HALL, 1 mile, 50, 1.36, 2.18.1, 2.59; last 3/4 86.4.
NORTHWARDS, 1 1/2 (1), 42.3, 1.24, 2.06, 2.40, 3.15, 3.49, 4.30.2; last 1/2 31.3.

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HAROLD, 1 1/2 last 1/2, 37, 1.06, 1.53.3, 2.28.2, 3.50.1; last 3/4 80.4.
WARRIOR (dun) and ARCADE (grey), 1 1/2, —, 1.15.2, 1.50, 2.21, 3.00.3, 3.53.4; (grey), last 3/4 85.5; 8.58.4 (dun, last 3/4 86.9).
Mr. White's OXBAY, 1 mile, 35, 1.19.2, 1.51; last 3/4 87.3.

OSWALD DUNEL, 1 mile last 1/2, 36.2, 1.13, 1.45.1; last 3/4 81.1.

VICTORIA DUNEL (R. grey) and CHOCOLATE DUNEL (chest), 1 1/2, 39, 1.15, 1.52.2, 2.25.3, 3.00, 3.52.3; last 3/4 82.3.

ADVANCE DUNEL (R. grey), 1 1/2, 39, 1.12, 1.48.1, 2.24.3, 2.57.1; last 3/4 82.3.

Mr. Ezra's BLACK, last 1/2, 36.2, 1.11.3, 1.44.2; last 3/4 83.

Mr. Ezra's BAY, 1 1/2 last 1/2, 38.3, 1.14, 1.47; last 3/4 83.

Mr. KADONNIE'S CHRISTINE, 1 1/2 last mile, 38, 1.16, 1.53.2, 2.28; last 3/4 84.3.

STAR OF DOON, 1 1/2 last mile (1), 40.3, 1.20.3, 1.59, 2.33.3; last 3/4 85.3.

SILVERSTREAK, 1 1/2 last mile (1), 39, 1.21, 1.58.4, 2.33; last 3/4 83.1.

Mr. Humphrey's TITIMOUSE (bay), 1 1/2 last 1/2 (1), 37.3, —, 1.51.3, 2.28.3, 2.59.2; last 3/4 80.4.

Messrs. Seth and May's BLACK PRINCE and BAWO, 1 1/2, 45, 1.26, 2.04, 2.40.3, 3.18; last 3/4 85.2.

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE BRITISH WAR LOAN.

A MAGNIFICENT RESPONSE.

LONDON, Jan. 27. It is estimated the £200,000,000 have been subscribed so far, to the War Loan.

DUTCH NEUTRALITY AND THE YSS.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 27. The *Colony Gazette* says that the German destroyer *V89* is enjoying the right of asylum at Ymuiden, in accordance with the Dutch declaration of neutrality whereby distressed warships may remain in harbour until seaworthy, provided the battle damage is not repaired.

SHIPS SUNK.

LONDON, Jan. 27. The following steamers have been sunk: *Nieuwen* (British); *Salam* and *Lala* (Dutch). All on board of the *Thames* have been saved.

STANDARDISED CARGO-STEAMERS.

THE SHIPBUILDING POLICY.

LONDON, Jan. 27. In connection with the building of standardised cargo steamers not exceeding 10,000 tons now proceeding Chepstow shipping circles urge the adoption of the policy of building ton for ton destroyed. They assert the possibility of building two million tons in a year. It is noteworthy that a 6,000-ton steamer was recently completed in 3½ months.

WAR PRISONERS' CAMPS IN TURKEY.

VISIT BY RED CROSS DELEGATES.

BERNE, Jan. 27. Delegates of the International Red Cross Committee have returned from a visit to the War Prisoners' camps in Turkey. They emphasise the necessity of an Anglo-Turkish agreement for the exchange of the severely wounded and invalids.

They point out that the garrison at Kut suffered severely by the siege and long desert marches before they surrendered. The delay in the distribution of parcels is easily explainable by the difficulty in communications. The Society of the Ottoman Red Crescent, which was most willing to assist the delegates, suggested that officers should be allowed to receive at the maximum two parcels monthly and the men one.

HONOURS FOR BRITISH GENERALS.

LONDON, Jan. 27. H. M. The King has invested General Sir Percy Lake, with a Commandership of the Bath, and Brigadier Francis Maxwell, with the Bar to the Distinguished Service Order.

THE BANK OF FRANCE.

PARIS, Jan. 27. Deposits in the Bank of France last year were over two hundred million sterling.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Jan. 27. Messrs. Morgan's report says:—The cessation of sales from China and the paucity of supplies from America have imparted a considerable steadiness to the market. The entry into the Indian Bazaar of buyers to cover bare sales caused apprehension and a considerable rise in price, but competition eased off when 3½ was reached on January 22, which is a record since 1893.

TEA FOR THE TROOPS.

LONDON, Jan. 26. The *Times* says it is understood that in view of the large requirements of tea for the forces a scheme has been proposed whereby the Government will acquire the unsold crops of certain Indian tea gardens. It is suggested that the prices current before the war shall be paid with a fair addition.

The scheme is somewhat criticised by the Tea Trade on the ground that companies whose balance of crops is so acquired will fare less well than those who are able to continue to secure the full market prices. The opinion is expressed in certain quarters that a method might be devised whereby the effect of the lower prices to be paid by the Government could be spread over the whole trade.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE NAVAL CONFERENCE.

IMPORTANT DECISIONS.

RESULTS ENTIRELY SATISFACTORY.

LONDON, Jan. 25.

The Admiralty announces that during the last few days an important Naval Conference at the Admiralty between the British, French and Italian Admirals discussed the naval policy in the Mediterranean. Britain's delegates were: Sir E. Carson, Admiral Jellicoe, Commodore Halsey, Rear-Admiral Oliver. France was represented by Admirals Lacaze, Debon, Faton and De L'Ostende.

Italy, by Admirals Corsi, Marzolo and Captain Di Villarey. Moreover, Signor Daddio, the Italian Minister of Munitions, M. De Joly, the French Director of Shipping, and Signor Ancona, the Italian Under-Secretary for Transport, attended; also naval and civilian experts.

Mr. Lloyd George indicated the proposals which the British Government were of opinion would tend to a closer co-ordination and more effective unity of action of the Allied forces.

The results were entirely satisfactory. The decisions were important, affecting, besides the naval operations, the use of shipping, the control of trade routes, and other cognate operations.

LATER.

The delegates to the Naval Conference were:—

Britain: The Fourth Sea Lord, Commodore Halsey (Chief of the Staff), Vice-Admiral Oliver.

France: The Minister of Marine, Admiral Lacaze (Chief of the Staff), Rear-Admiral Debon, Rear-Admiral Faton (Naval Attaché in London), and Rear-Admiral De L'Ostende.

Italy: The Minister of Marine, Vice-Admiral Corsi (Chief of the Staff), Rear-Admiral Marzolo (Naval Attaché in London), and Captain Di Villarey.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

GERMANS CLAIM PROGRESS.

LONDON, Jan. 26. A German official announcement, received by wireless, states:—We progressed on both banks of the Aa River.

THE RUMANIAN FRONT.

INTENSE COLD STOPS OPERATIONS.

LONDON, Jan. 26. The *Times* Correspondent at Jassy says that intense cold has practically stopped military operations.

AUSTRIA-HUNGARY AND PEACE.

PREPARED TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATIONS.

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 26. In the Hungarian Parliament Count Tisza, President of the Council, referring to President Wilson's speech, said he sympathetically greeted every effort to restore peace, therefore he was inclined to continue the exchange of views on peace with the United States, but the Entente war aims, which meant the disintegration of Austria-Hungary and the Ottoman Empire, were irreconcilable with President Wilson's aims. He asserted that Hungary honoured the principle of nationalities; indeed, the free development of the nations in south-eastern Europe could only be completely realised by the existence of the domination of Austria-Hungary. Therefore, they were completely in agreement with President Wilson.

HOLLAND AND PRESIDENT WILSON'S VIEWS.

THE HAGUE, Jan. 26. The Foreign Minister has expressed the opinion that it would be an unwise policy for the Netherlands to bind itself to exercise economic and military compulsion against any other Power, as outlined in President Wilson's speech.

REGULATING EXCHANGE.

LONDON, Jan. 26. An Order-in-Council renders compulsory the sale of or loan to the Treasury of foreign securities required to regulate exchange. Hitherto these transactions have been voluntary.

PRICE OF COAL IN FRANCE.

PARIS, Jan. 26. Coal is 10s. per hundredweight. (Continued on page 3.)

3,921,869 GERMAN CASUALTIES.

The total number of German casualties reported in official German lists up to the end of November, including the losses of all German nationalities but exclusive of naval or colonial casualties, was 3,921,869.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

ANNUAL MEETING OF SEAT-HOLDERS & SUBSCRIBERS.

The annual meeting of the seatholders and subscribers of St. John's Cathedral was held last evening at the City Hall, the Bishop of Victoria (Dr. Landier) presiding over a good attendance which included the Rev. H. C. Moyle, (Chaplain) Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, (Hon. Treasurer), Mr. E. D. V. Parr, Mr. W. L. Patterson and the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn.

THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS.

Mr. F. B. L. BOWLEY, Hon. Treasurer, said:—In presenting the annual accounts there are two or three points I should like to draw attention to. At the annual meeting last year I made a special appeal for donations for the repairs which were necessary to prevent the fabric of the Cathedral from falling into decay, and I stated that, if 20 parishioners would follow the example of Mrs. Anstruther and the Hon. Mr. Severn and give \$50 each, the repairs would be paid for without encroaching upon the general fund. Unfortunately only \$420 were contributed in response to this appeal, and as a result we find that the expenditure in 1916 exceeds the income by \$373, and the credit balance of \$317 brought forward from last year becomes a debit of \$37. I should mention, however, that although there were 53 Sundays in 1916 the offertory on the extra Sunday (which was the last day of the year) is not included in the accounts, as it necessarily did not reach my hands until this month. Rigid economy was observed in regard to the repairs, only necessary work being undertaken under the able supervision of our honorary architect, Mr. Leask and Mr. Wood, to whom the thanks of the congregation are due. (Applause.) After the repairs were finished Mr. Tatcher kindly took in hand the work of replanning and improving the compound at a cost of \$77. Unfortunately the adjacent building operations and the prolonged drought have combined to mar the result, but when these two causes have ceased to operate it is hoped that a great improvement will be noticed. A house allowance has been substituted for the rent of the Chaplain's house on the cancellation of the lease of the latter. On the architect's advice the fire insurance has been considerably increased and it is thought that the building and contents are now fully insured. A new side-chapel screen has been erected, and the side chapel has been completely furnished, at the sole cost of a lady and gentleman who prefer to remain anonymous. Many of the congregation highly appreciate the result of these generous gifts. (Applause.) Turning to receipts, you will notice an increase in the ordinary income of about \$500, which is accounted for by increased offertories and donations. Fewer rents show a slight falling off, and now amount to just over \$3,000, representing 200 seats.

The question of pew rents is to be discussed at a later stage, and I will now only point out that the work of the Cathedral cannot be carried on without this source of income unless seatholders will submit to the self-denying ordinance which is to be suggested to them, and continue to pay at least the equivalent of the rents in the shape of donations.

The Military Contribution has ceased, owing to the fact that there is now no official Parade Service conducted by an Army Chaplain; on the other hand seats are reserved at the ordinary Sunday morning service for the Territorials and others; the seatholders' having kindly agreed to regard all seats as free at 3 minutes to 11, when the bell stops. Special collections show an increase of nearly \$1,000. Out of a total of \$3,638, sums amounting to \$2,140 have been contributed to various War Funds. The largest items are the Prisoners of War collection on the 14th August (1909) and the collections at Organ Recitals for the Navy League Memorial Hospital (\$616). In this connection it may interest you to know that the collection for Prisoners of War on the first Sunday of this year realised \$834. At the last meeting I told you that it was considered necessary to rebuild the sound-boards of the organ at an estimated cost of about \$3,000, and that it was proposed to take advantage of the expected visit of an expert organ builder from home, who is supplying a new organ to the Union Church. Delays connected with the War have hindered this gentleman's arrival, and consequently nothing has been done in the matter, and it is now reported that many of the stops are unusable. It will be necessary therefore to make a special call for the organ shortly, as the funds in hand amount to \$300 only.

No demands were made on the Choir Fund in 1916 beyond the usual payments for Choir Boys, tunings and printing, and there is a small balance in hand. The small Endowment and Reserves Funds are unchanged, standing at \$16,000 and \$1,000 respectively.

The subscriptions to the Assistant-Chaplain Fund show a falling off of \$370, and the balance has been diminished by nearly \$500. From this accounts generally it will be seen that although the Cathedral is not actually in debt, the margin is very fine, and current expenses can only be met if the income is kept up, whilst the necessity of paying passage money in the current year will make an additional call on our income. Bishop Norris, in one of his stirring addresses, emphasised the duty of all Christians not to "starve their Churches" in spite of the demands of the War Funds; and since the Mission there has, I think, been an increased interest in the "loosening" of purse strings. Since the War began it has become usual to point out the duty of giving instead of appealing to the sentiment of the charitable, and it may truly be

laid down as a general principle, that the first duty of every member of the Church of England in the Colony is to see that the Mother Church of the Colony is not starved. It is not right or fair for any individual to shirk this duty, and I should like to point out two ways in which every one can help. The first and most important is by giving more liberally to the offertories for Church Expenses. Although there are notable exceptions, some people have acquired the habit of thinking that the smallest coin of the realm is good enough for such an extremely dull and unexciting object as Church Expenses, and they forget that in this Colony the copper unit is worth only one farthing and the 5 cent piece is little more than 1d. The 30 cent piece and the silver dollar are quite alarming in size and heavy to carry, but I can assure you that no sidesman will ever object to the weight of a bag-full of silver dollars, and the forgetful can always sign one of the chips placed in the pew. Parents who send their children to Church might also give them silver instead of copper for the collection. The second way to help is by subscriptions. Presumably a communication will be held before you with reference to the broadening of the basis of the electorate of the Church Body, but I hope I shall not be out of order in pointing out, now how extremely broad that basis is at present, although the number of persons who take the trouble to qualify themselves is very small. At present the electorate consists of registered seatholders and subscribers of \$10 and upwards. There are about 140 names only on the Register and this must be a very small proportion of the members of the Church of England in Hongkong. Now, I do not believe that there is any Churchman or Churchwoman in this Colony attending the Cathedral who cannot afford to pay a donation of at least \$10 a year in order to qualify for a vote. \$10 a year is only 20 cents a Sunday, and any one who would prefer to pay \$1 a month, instead of \$10 at one time, can put down his or her name as a subscriber to the Assistant Chaplain's Fund, and the sheriff will call for the money every month.

THE BISHOP said:—In moving the adoption of the statement of accounts which has been, so ably expounded by the Hon. Treasurer to this annual meeting of the seatholders and subscribers of the Cathedral, I feel that we have many causes for thankfulness with regard to the past year and some reasons for earnest thought and much prayer for wisdom with regard to the future. There will no doubt be a vote of thanks to the Church body and numerous other persons who have contributed so largely to the carrying on of the Church work during the past year. The National Mission of the Republic and Hope stands out as very prominent feature in the year's work. We all owe a very deep debt of gratitude to Bishop Norris and the Rev. A.D. Stewart for all the help that they gave to us. The Bishop left his own Diocese for nearly a month and laboured with extraordinary energy and zeal. The mission proved that British men in this Colony are not indifferent to religion but that they take a very keen interest in it. The Council that arranged for the meetings was indefatigable and the secretaries, Messrs. Patterson and Gerken, are to be heartily congratulated on their effective advertising, and organising. The Treasurer, Mr. W. M. Humphreys, reported at the closing of the Council that some \$1,600 had been voluntarily subscribed and that the total expenses of the Mission were less than \$1000 so the Council instructed me to ask Bishop Norris' acceptance of \$500 to be used in his Diocese in any way that he wished. The Council has since a certain recommendation on this meeting which will be duly considered as we are all most anxious that the Mission should leave a large and united fellowship of men and women in this place committed to a life of open witness and aggressive work for Christ and His Church. This new Church Body, that you will be asked to appoint, will have very great responsibility laid upon it. It will have to make all necessary arrangements for the carrying on of the work of the Church. The engagements of the Chaplains, the Rev. H. Copley Moyle and H. G. E. Griffith will both terminate within the next thirteen months. It is now nearly five years since the former gave up the valuable living of Iping in Sussex to come out here, and early next year it will be three years since Mr. Griffith gave up a curacy in Wales to come out here as Assistant Chaplain. The new Church Body will have the responsibility of making new agreements with these gentlemen, or forming other plans for the carrying on of the work of the Cathedral. I see that the Honourable Mr. Claud Severn is about to bring forward a resolution with regard to the letting of the seats. The Ordinance which governs the Cathedral and the Church Body evidently contemplates the letting of seats and the revenue from this practice is more than a quarter of our total income.

For the seat-renting principle, it may be contended that it is a great convenience to regular members of the congregation, especially perhaps to the deaf and infirm, that they should have a place reserved for them until the hour of commencing service, and such a place is so reserved that they may the better fulfil their share in the Divine worship; it is only fair to say that sweeping away pew rents does not necessarily diminish the number of persons who are present at the services. There are, however, persons who are crowded for every service and there are free Churches that are practically empty. But on the other hand, if letting sittings causes them to be left unemployed because of their inability to resign their responsibility to have them used at every service the system may be doing more harm to the Church than the money does good. And if my opinion to have all seats free in our place of

worship is more in accordance with the teaching of the New Testament.

There is one other matter connected with the accounts to which I should like to refer, it is with regard to special collections. The Church Body find it necessary to deduct from almost all these special collections a considerable proportion, sometimes as much as half; so that when a man gives \$10 instead of his usual \$1 say to the Diocesan Girls School and Orphanage, he may be really giving \$5 to the Church expenses and \$5 to the Charity. I should like to see the Cathedral so in funds that it is able to give the whole of a collection to such charities. At any rate I think members of the congregation should be distinctly informed of how much of their \$10, so to speak, is going to the charity and how much to Church expenses.

I beg now to move that the statement of accounts be passed.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock seconded and the motion was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF CHURCH BODY.

The voting for six lay members of the Church body resulted in the election of the Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Mr. E. D. V. Parr, Mr. W. L. Patterson, Mr. N. J. Stabb and Mr. A. H. Harris.

THE FREE SEATS QUESTION.

The Hon. Mr. CLAUD SEVERN proposed the following resolution:—That this meeting of seatholders and subscribers requests the Church Body not to let any new sittings, and to invite each registered seatholder to resign his or her sitting, and to contribute a sum not less than the rent of such sitting year by year to the Cathedral Funds; every sitting so resigned to become a Free Seat.

Mr. Severn, in submitting the resolution said his experience was that although seatholders, to a great extent, occupied their seats at the morning service they did not do so to any extent in the evening, and whilst there might be very good reasons for that the effect was that there were about only twelve persons in the first seven pews, whilst the back of the church was fairly well filled. It was discouraging to the preacher to have empty pews in front of him, and it also prevented many people who liked front seats from having them, because of the regulations of the church. He had no intention of pressing his resolution, but he brought it forward so that the matter might be discussed. He thought they might vote to see whether seatholders would be willing to let their seats be free five minutes before the evening service commenced, so that empty seats might be filled by people who would otherwise have to be at the back of the church.

Dr. EARLE seconded the motion. He said he objected to pew rents because he thought they introduced class distinction, also because they suggested trafficking in spiritual comforts, and because the buying of seats made the church appear like a place of entertainment.

Mr. BOWLEY supported the motion, saying that he regarded the letting of seats in church a practice which was indefensible. It was a relic of the feudal system when the squire and his dame with their numerous progeny occupied the principle or only pew in the Church facing their vassals and the common people. It was entirely unsuited to this democratic age and especially so during the great war which had taught them that all their compatriots and Allies were brothers. It was un-Christian, as it was essentially selfish, whereas unselfishness was the essence of Christianity. He thought that seatholders would find if this motion were adopted, that it would make very little difference to their convenience. There were two classes of seatholders—individuals who held seats in their own names, and companies and firms which took seats for their employees. The individuals would be able to secure the seats to which they were accustomed by coming to Church a few minutes earlier. The employees of firms would always find room in the Cathedral, and if they arrived early they could easily secure the seats they might prefer. The firms would not be affected in any way, the object of their subscription being the religious needs of their employees by supporting the Churches with their ministers and officers. That object would be equally well attained whether the seats in the Churches were appropriated or not. He hoped that this motion would be adopted in a friendly spirit and that the Treasurer might specially receive resignations of all the appropriated seats together with cheques for not less than the rents previously paid.

Professor WARREN said he did not agree that the renting of pews was any more undemocratic than the renting of houses. He suggested a departure from the flat charge and charging say a dollar in cases where the applicant could only afford a dollar, while the man who could afford \$50 should not mind paying it.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. HOLYOAK thought that to abolish pew rents at the present time would be an act of positive folly. They were practically the only element of the Church had. He thought they would alienate a considerable amount of sympathy; if they harshly told people that they were taking their seats away, but would like to receive subscriptions instead. He suggested that they should have sittings in regular attendance to show visitors into seats. (Applause.)

Mr. PARR agreed with the proposer and seconded as to the undesirability of having pew rents, but thought that if they asked for subscriptions instead, some people would pay and some would not, and the chances of the church would be adversely affected.

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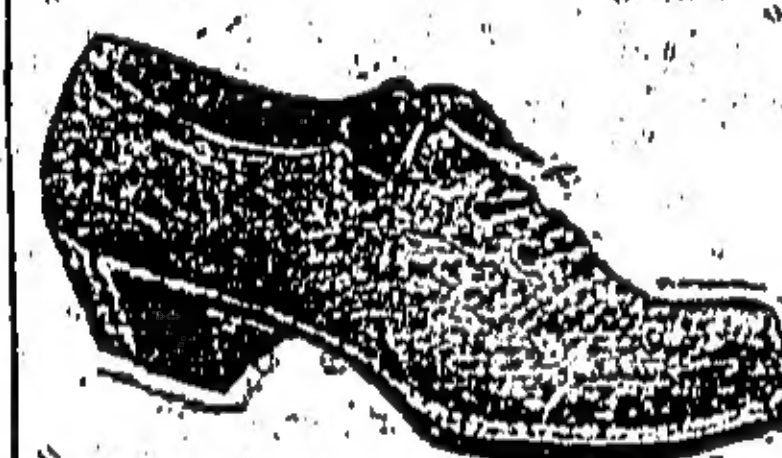
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MEDICAL CONGRESS AT CANTON.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

The National Medical and Chinese Medical Association are holding a joint conference at Canton at the Y.M.C.A. building. The conference opened on Wednesday last. The meeting was one of the most auspicious gatherings ever held in South China. For weeks the doctors and other foreigners, in conjunction with the Chinese, have been making preparation for these associations. At the opening services one of the largest crowds gathered which has been in Canton for a long time.

For days the delegates have been gathering from all parts of China. These had been coming in small numbers until Wednesday when the great body reached Canton on the train and boats. They were met at the station and wharf and escorted to their homes or to the Y.M.C.A. A reception was held there where light refreshments were served, followed by a most interesting programme.

PROGRAMME OF THE EVENING.
8 p.m.—Reception at the Y.M.C.A. in honour of the delegates. This was attended by many missionaries, business men, and friends of the interests represented by these two associations.

- 1.—A Piano Solo—Mrs. Edmunds.
- 2.—Address of welcome—H. E. Governor of Chu Ching Lan.
- 3.—Duet—Mrs. Chung and Mrs. Lowe.
- 4.—Address of welcome—Dr. H. A. Cheng, President Kwang Tung Branch, National Medical Association.
- 5.—Solo—Mr. Harvey.
- 6.—Address of welcome—Dr. R. J. Todd, President South China Branch, China Medical Missionary Association.
- 7.—Solo—Mrs. Shoop.

The entire programme was one of much interest. The speeches were exceedingly gratifying to all present. H. E. Governor of Chu Ching Lan showed keen interest in the welfare of these associations. He has done all possible to make their coming to South China a success. Also he is taking a wide interest in the health campaign which is to follow the meeting of these associations. He has given largely financially and helped in many other ways.

THE PERSONNEL OF THE ASSOCIATIONS.

The National Medical Association of China and the China Medical Association in their joint session in Canton represent the sum and total of the efforts of medical science to help the Chinese in their efforts to protect and heal their bodies. This is the first session of this kind to be held in China. It makes for the unity of action and the comprehensive plans for the extension of medical science throughout the whole of China. All men and women, who are students of the human body, regardless of church affiliations or religious connection, are one in heart and purpose to help the human family in the Orient to know how to meet the enemies of the human body. They are one in their aims to help the suffering and enable the well to avoid all possible disease.

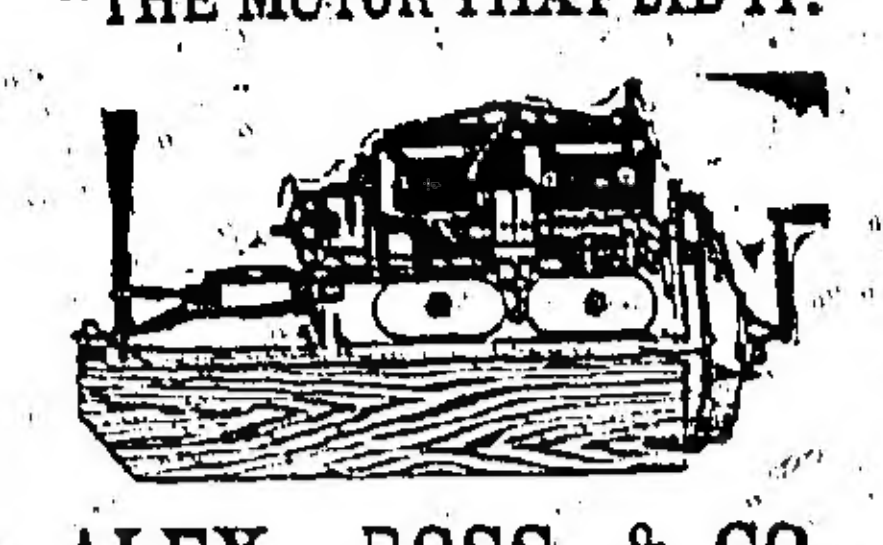
It was interesting, indeed, to see men from Peking in the North, from Canton in the West, from Nanking and Shanghai in the Central part, from Hainan Island in the south, and men and women from all parts of Kwang Tung. Many of these men have come to China from other lands. Many are Chinese who have received their training from the best medical schools in the world; but they are all here meeting in one body, composed of all the branches and associations working in China for the furtherance of up-to-date medical science. It was a grand sight to see such a noble body of men and women from the whole of China giving their lives in constant thought and research into the problems of human life.

CANTON IS HIGHLY HONOURED.

This is the first time such a gathering has been held in China. These Associations have held gatherings before, but not a joint session. Canton was the first city in which a Western Hospital was opened. It also is the first city to have an asylum for the insane, yet in spite of these facts, Canton has not had the honour of entertaining such bodies before. It is more convenient for them to meet in Central China. Men of this type are men of national vision. They are not bound to sections, hence the present gathering. The most historic gathering of the physicians in China are holding their first meeting in the most historic city in China. We are highly honoured, and count ourselves fortunate to have this privilege.

The session will continue for nearly a week. The Governor, Mr. Chu Ching Lan, is to give a banquet the second night. There are many interesting features from day to day. The Conference will mean much to China. Also Canton will receive many blessings that will affect the whole of its medical work for the future. If the unity of these two Associations covering the whole of China—a splendid example of the progress of purpose of the doctors throughout China in their efforts to better all classes—can inspire the men and women in South China to combine their efforts to develop a first-class medical college and hospital equal to the best anywhere, the meetings of these two Associations will be worth while if they accomplish nothing more than this greatly desired result.

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THURSDAY'S SESSION.

[From Another Correspondent.]

The morning session of the conference began on Thursday, January 25th. Dr. Wu Lien-teh of the National Association, presiding. His annual presidential address was exceedingly interesting and well applauded. After expressing his gratitude of the conference for the welcome accorded the delegates by the local foreign and Chinese physicians and the Civil Governor, he devoted some time to the subject of "Some Problems Before the Medical Profession of China." He condemned the Japanese medical influence in China, urged a general and uniform standard of medical schools and the necessity of having a Central Medical Council spoke hopefully of the bright future of female medical practitioners, and said that there is a great need for trained nurses.

Dr. W. H. Venable, president of the China Medical Missionary Association, followed Dr. Wu with his own annual address. Then the report of the research committee in Chinese Physiology was made: Dr. G. D. Whyte presented the result in height, weight, and chest measurements investigated; Dr. E. N. Hume and Dr. T. Yau reported on the circulation; and Dr. M. E. Garner, the pelvic measurements.

After the Research Committee had presented its report, the two associations separated for business session.

In the Chinese session, the matter of procuring certain drugs and instruments, now denied to Chinese dispensaries but permitted to be imported by foreign firms was discussed. In the discussion all seemed to be in favour of registering all Chinese modern druggists so that only the qualified will be allowed to import the more dangerous drugs and chemicals, and forming instruments to avoid the misuse by irresponsible persons who are causing the physicians to suffer.

Military Governor Lu Ying-ting and Civil Governor Chu Ching-lan gave a banquet in honour of the delegates at the business Company's Hotel Garden, the Bund, on Thursday when some 800 waiting and 30 local foreign physicians and their wives and some 20 non-Cantonese and 70 local native physicians of western science attended, the affair lasting from early in the evening to almost midnight. It was the most cosmopolitan function held in Canton, not only all the leading nationalities but also the Chinese ladies and leading officials being there around the tables. The Military Governor, unable to be there at the last, was represented by General Tan Hoh-ming.

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COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Market Moxon and Taylor in their weekly share report dated Friday, 25th January, state—

The week under review has been entirely broken up by the advent of China New Year, little or no business having resulted.

China New Year is now over as far as the date goes, and appears to have been remarkably free of disaster in native circles.

Shanghai remains closed, and the tone of the market there cannot be fairly judged until the re-opening next week.

BANKS.—Hongkong Banks are quiet at \$700.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions are quoted nominally at \$900. Cantons at \$375 are on offer, and North China are quiet with nothing doing at \$150.

China Insurance—Hongkong Fire at \$375, and China Fire at \$150 remain at last week's level.

SHIPPING.—Douglases are still wanted at \$116 cash and Deferred. Indos have buyers at \$122. Preferred Indos are unchanged from last week. Star Ferries are offering at \$35 and Steamboats are wanted at \$40; cum the dividend of \$1.25 just declared.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars at \$125 and Malabons at \$37 are quiet with nothing doing.

OLDS AND MINING.—Langkats have been sold to the North at \$11. Bank at \$40. Tronohs at \$11/6, Shells at \$10/6, ex dividend, and Urals at \$3/9 are all quiet at about last week's levels.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Kowloon Wharves at \$34 are quiet with nothing doing. Hongkong Docks are quiet at \$125 with no business to report. Shanghai Docks are quiet at \$40 and Kowloon Docks at \$35.

COTTON MILLS.—Ewos at \$14, Kung Yiks at \$13, Yangtsepoos at \$14, 5/8, and Shanghai Cottons at \$11/7 are nominal quotations pending the re-opening of the market in Shanghai.

ELECTRIC COMPANIES.—Hongkong Electric at \$51 are a neglected market. China Lights could be placed at \$41 and Hongkong Trams have come to business at \$7.

MISCELLANEOUS.—China Borneo have sellers at \$9 and buyers at \$7. China Providents are quoted nominally at \$9. Wm. Povells could be placed at \$41 and Waterbats, following on the reduction of capital announcement, firmed to a buying rate of \$18. Dairy Farms continue to offer at \$25. Cements could be placed at \$11/6.

EXCHANGE.—The demand rate on London is 2 1/4% and the T.T. selling rate on Shanghai is 60%.

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Thursday, Feb. 8th.—Class I. (Inspector Grant).

Friday, Feb. 9th.—Class II. (Inspector Grant).

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4TH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY, JAN. 25TH.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Matins (11 a.m.)

Responses, Psalms, Venite, Hooper; Psalms of the 88th morning; To Dean Russell, Jones, Fry, Jubilate, Monk (4th morning); Hymns, 291, 271.

"God Save the King."

Evangelium (8.45 p.m.)

Responses, Psalms, Psalms, Purcell, Purcell, Purcell; Magnificat, B. Fishill (4th evening); Nunc Dimittis, Aldrich (4th morning); Anthem, "The radiant morn." Woodward; Hymns, 29, 21.

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Evening Service at 6 p.m.—Hymns, 381, 231, 506, 233, 371.

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5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 27th at 11.55.—No returns from Japanese stations. Elsewhere pressure changes since yesterday are small.

The anticyclone appears to be nearly stationary over S. Mongolia.

Pressure is lowest over Borneo.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.34 inches, against an average of 1.11 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 28th January:—

1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock: E. winds strong to moderate; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, strong.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lianjacks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: E. winds moderate.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN JANUARY.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of January, 1917:—

Date. Ends. Begins.

Jan. 27th, 5.55 a.m. 6.30 p.m.

" 28th, 5.51 " 6.31 "

" 29th, 5.51 " 6.31 "

" 30th, 5.51 " 6.32 "

" 31st, 5.51 " 6.32 "

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Barometer ... 30.02 30.07 30.00

Temperature ... 65 65 64

Humidity ... 72 90 73

Direction of Wind ... E E E

Force ... 3 5 3

Weather ... C C C

Rain ... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open air temperature on the 27th at 10 a.m. ... 74

Lowest open air temperature on the 27th at 10 p.m. ... 64